

**2018 LLM in Judicial Studies  
Application for Admission**

Please review the application instructions at [www.law.duke.edu/judicialstudies/application](http://www.law.duke.edu/judicialstudies/application). (The ABA has “acquiesced” in the program for accreditation purposes.)

**SECTION 1: APPLICATION FEE** - Please submit a \$70 nonrefundable application fee by check or money order payable to Duke Law School and mail it to:

Duke Law Center for Judicial Studies  
210 Science Drive; Box 90362  
Durham, NC 27708

**SECTION 2: PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle (Jr, Sr, III, etc)

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ mm/dd/yyyy  Female  Male  Decline to answer Preferred first name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please select your citizenship status:

- U.S. Citizen
- U.S. Permanent Resident
- Non-U.S. Resident

Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Judicial Position (title and court): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address for correspondence: **(submit updates via email to [judicialstudies@law.duke.edu](mailto:judicialstudies@law.duke.edu))**

Address line 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address line 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City, state, and zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Law schools are asked by many entities, including the federal government, accrediting associations, college guides, newspapers, and our own university communities, to describe the racial and ethnic backgrounds of our students. To help us respond to these requests, we ask you to answer the following optional questions, which reflect the U.S. Department of Education’s standards for the collection of ethnicity and racial data.

Are you Hispanic or Latino?  Yes  No

In addition, please select one or more of the following racial groups of which you consider yourself to be a member.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White

**SECTION 3: EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY**

Please list all colleges, universities, and law schools attended (attach separate sheet if necessary), with years of attendance and degree awarded

Name	City/State	Dates Attended	Major	Degree/ Date Awarded

Please list all professional experience in legal positions (judging, law practice, legal education, etc.)

Organization	Job Title	Dates	Location

**SECTION 4: RESUME/CV AND PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

Please submit a resume or curriculum vitae and the names, titles, and contact information from two professional references whom we may contact to discuss your application.

**SECTION 5: JURISDICTIONAL AUTHORITY (if applicable)**

Jurisdictional Authority: Federal judges and state supreme court judges are not required to complete this component. State court judges, other than supreme court justices, should identify the level of their court, i.e., trial or appellate; limited or general jurisdiction, criminal/civil and at what level (e.g., above \$50K). International judges should also identify the type of cases they handle.

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**SECTION 6: TOEFL**

If applicable, please indicate the dates you took or will take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). You must take the TOEFL if your first language is not English and your undergraduate degree was obtained outside the U.S., unless you earned a JD degree from a U.S. law school.

TOEFL dates: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/yyyy)

**SECTION 7: PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Please submit a personal statement from 500 words to 1,000 words. The personal statement is your opportunity to introduce yourself to the admissions committee. You may wish to include any of the following: (1) why you want to enroll in the Judicial Studies program, (2) what you expect to gain from the program, and (3) how the program will support future professional endeavors. The space at the end of the document can be used for your personal statement (or it can be submitted as a separate PDF document).

**SECTION 8: AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS**

Please list any major awards or distinctions received during college or law school.

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Please list any major awards or distinctions received for legal or judicial work.

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**SECTION 9: JUDICIAL EDUCATION AND PUBLICATIONS**

Please attach a list of judicial education programs you have attended that have been important to you. You may also attach any published writing, other than judicial opinions, which the admissions committee should consider.

**SECTION 10: ELIGIBILITY**

Please confirm that you are currently serving in an eligible judicial position:

- United States, state judge
- United States, federal judge
- Foreign country, regional, or national judge

(Municipal judges, administrative law judges, arbitrators, and special masters are not eligible for this program.)

Please list the date that your current term of office expires: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yyyy)  
(Leave blank if not applicable.)

Please confirm that you can commit to the full two-year program:

Yes, I can commit to attending four weeks of courses at Duke each summer for the next two years.

**SECTION 11: CONDITIONS OF APPLICATION AND SIGNATURE**

By signing this application, I certify that the information furnished is true and correct, and that all information on this form and submitted as part of this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I am obligated to notify the Law School immediately if there is any change in the information provided. I understand that all material including, but not limited to, academic transcripts and letters of recommendation become the property of Duke Law School and will not be returned. I promise, if admitted, to obey the rules of all academic exercises performed for credit in the School.

**SIGNATURE REQUIRED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please e-mail the completed application to: [judicialstudies@law.duke.edu](mailto:judicialstudies@law.duke.edu); or mail a hard copy to:

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